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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: Michael A. Williamson Group Art Unit: 1616

Re: Application of: Chih-Ming CHEN, et al.

Serial No.: 09/435,576

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For: **HMG-COA REDUCTASE INHIBITOR
EXTENDED RELEASE FORMULATION**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

October 25, 2001

Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated April 25, 2001 for three (3) months from July 25, 2001 to October 25, 2001.

Payment of \$920.00 is enclosed to cover the three (3) months extension fee is enclosed. If it is determined that any additional fees are due, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

Respectfully submitted,

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